

## **MCA Update #65 Efate Ring Road & Santo East Coast Road**



Efate: Clearing underway at Nangus – just South of Eton Village.



Efate – final trimming and shaping of the pavement in preparation for sealing at the 50 km mark near Ekiye Village.



Santo: Compacting and shaping pavement near the 39 km mark, South of Hog Harbour.



Santo: Widening the road near the 40 km mark.

### **Santo Work**

Culvert installation is now progressing 4 km North of Hog Harbour and the road through Hog Harbour village has been cleared and widened. Undercut and sub-base pavement construction has reached the 41 km mark. Pavement overlay work continues in the 36 km to 39 km section, however progress is slow due to recurring wet weather. All operations will continue to progress North as weather permits.

### **Efate Work**

Culvert construction is underway at Banana Bay near the 85 km mark. Clearing and widening work has progressed through Eton Village and has now reached the 77.5 km mark at the Blue Lagoon. Pavement progress has again been affected by wet weather and continues slowly between La Cressonniere and Pang Pang. After pausing for the long Easter Weekend guardrail, drainage and tidy up work are again underway on Klehm's Hill. Preparations are being made to seal the road from Epule Quarry to Ekiye village. The existing road between Eton and Rentabao was again graded to restore a smooth surface for motorists after the week's wet weather.

### **Traffic Conditions**

Klehm's Hill will now be open to two way traffic overnight. During the day when guardrail, drainage and tidy up work is underway traffic restrictions may be required and controllers will be on duty between 6:00 am and 6:00 pm. Road users are urged to comply with the safety signs and the directions of the traffic controllers on site. Again, we ask all drivers to refrain from speeding anywhere on the sealed road or where construction is underway. The roads are construction sites and used by pedestrians as well as vehicles.

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